

What is claimed is:

1. An overcoat comprising:

a shell defined by a main body and left and right sleeves and having an outer facing side and an inner facing side, said main body including a back panel, a left front panel and a right front panel;

a lining having a corresponding back panel, a corresponding left front panel and a corresponding right front panel, and disposed in overlying relation to at least a portion of each of said back panel, said left front panel and said right front panel of said main body on said inner facing side of said shell;

a plurality of pockets of varying size and dimension on said lining and including at least one main pocket positioned on said corresponding back panel, at least one main pocket positioned on said corresponding left front panel and at least one main pocket positioned on said corresponding right front panel, and at least one secondary pocket on one of said corresponding left and right front panels, each of said pockets including a pocket opening;

pocket closure means at said pocket opening of each of said plurality of pockets for releasably securing said pocket opening in order to hold articles securely within said pockets; and

at least one clothing securing strap in at least one of said pockets for securing one or more clothing articles therein.

2. The overcoat as recited in Claim 1 further comprising:
means for removably securing said lining and said plurality of pockets to said inner facing side of said shell.
3. The overcoat as recited in Claim 2 wherein said means for removably securing said lining and said plurality of pockets to said inner facing side of said shell comprises a non-metallic fastener.
4. The overcoat as recited in Claim 3 wherein said non-metallic fastener is a zipper, including a first zipper member secured to said inner facing side of said shell and a second cooperating zipper member about at least a portion of a periphery of said lining.
5. The overcoat as recited in Claim 1 wherein said plurality of pockets are each defined primarily by a pocket panel secured to said lining, and said pocket panel of each of said plurality of pockets being structured and disposed to provide ventilation and ease of visual inspection of the contents within said plurality of pockets.
6. The overcoat as recited in Claim 1 wherein said at least one clothing securing strap comprises:
a first strap segment with a free distal end;
a second strap member with a free distal end;
cooperating attachment members on said free distal ends of said first and second strap segments for releasable, interconnected attachment of said free distal ends; and

means for adjusting the length of at least one of said first and second strap segments.

7. The overcoat as recited in Claim 6 further comprising:

a plurality of said clothing securing straps, including at least one of said clothing securing straps in at least two of said plurality of pockets.

8. The overcoat as recited in Claim 1 further comprising:

at least one securing strap on said lining and exterior of said plurality of pockets, said at least one securing strap being structured and disposed for holding one or more articles on said lining.

9. The overcoat as recited in Claim 1 further comprising:

a second main pocket positioned on said corresponding back panel of said lining.

10. An overcoat comprising:

a shell defined by a main body and left and right sleeves and having an outer facing side and an inner facing side, said main body, including a back panel, a left front panel and a right front panel;

a lining having a back lining panel, a left front lining panel and a right front lining panel and said lining disposed in overlying relation to at least a portion of said inner facing side of said shell so that said back lining panel, said left front lining panel and said right front lining panel are positioned and disposed in corresponding, overlying relation to said back panel, said left front panel and said right front panel, respectively, of said main body;

a plurality of pockets of varying size and dimension on said lining and including at least one main pocket positioned on said back lining panel, at least one main pocket positioned on said left front lining panel and at least one main pocket positioned on said right front lining panel, and at least one secondary pocket on one of said left and right front lining panels, each of said pockets including a pocket opening;

pocket closure means on said pocket opening of each of said plurality of pockets for releasably securing said pocket opening in order to hold articles securely within said pockets;

each of said plurality of pockets being primarily defined by a pocket panel secured to said lining, and said pocket panel of each of said plurality of pockets being structured and disposed to provide ventilation and ease of visual inspection of the contents within said plurality of pockets;

at least one clothing securing strap in at least one of said pockets for securing one or more clothing articles therein; and

means for removably securing said lining with said plurality of pockets to said inner facing side of said shell.

11. The overcoat as recited in Claim 10 wherein said means for removably securing said lining to said inner facing side of said shell comprises a non-metallic fastener.

12. The overcoat as recited in Claim 11 wherein said non-metallic fastener is a zipper.

13. The overcoat as recited in Claim 10 wherein said pocket panel of each of said plurality of pockets is an open mesh material.

14. The overcoat as recited in Claim 10 further comprising:
at least one securing strap on said lining and exterior of said plurality of pockets, said at least one securing strap being structured and disposed for holding one or more articles on said lining.

15. The overcoat as recited in Claim 10 further comprising:
a second main panel positioned on said back lining panel.